

ISST 2/15/05 Call Summary

Next Call: Tuesday, February 22, 2005 at 1 p.m. EST (18 UTC)

Team members present (P) and not present (NP):

(P) Brad Colman (team leader) – WFO Seattle, WA
(P) Pete Manousos (backup team leader) – NCEP/HPC
(P) Mark Jackson – WFO Salt Lake City, UT
(P) Steve Keighton – WFO Blacksburg, VA
(NP) Greg Mann – WFO Detroit, MI
(P) Dave Sharp – WFO Melbourne, FL
(P) Jim Nelson – WFO Anchorage, AK
(P) Bill Ward – PRHQ
(P) Dan St Jean – WFO Gray, ME
(P) Lee Anderson (facilitator) – OST/PPD/PMB

Teleconference commenced at about 1:05 p.m. EST

Round Robin

Mark. DFP teams call occurred and went well. The due date for teams input is 3/15/05.
Steve. Sent ER information to the team and he is waiting for input from one team. He forwarded information to the ISST. He received good feedback.

Dave. Jeff Medlin (SOO at Mobile) will be other SR representative.

Bill. Dave Miller sent information about the RC.

Dan. Had concerns about the HPC Days 4-7 and decided to table the discussion until later.

Lee. Kevin and Lee met with Brian Gockel (NWS OST SEC) about the AoR on 1/19/05. Most of the discussion was AWIPS related and planning for the future. SEC AWIPS planning has made AoR a high priority. Biggest problem will be GFE development for AoR. Also, Lee stated that some money is available to maintain ISST web page. Kevin and Lee will work with contractor soon to update that page. Minutes for the meetings will be updated.

Brad. He had DSPO information that he discussed later.

Pete. Briefly mentioned information about HPC workshop.

ISST Web Site

Team agreed that they preferred Lee to compose a document containing notes and a summary. For most situations, he will post the notes on the private site and the summary will be on the public site.

DSPO Summary

HQ will not move ahead at this time with the organization of the DS branch. Is it a budget-related decision? It may be both organizational preference and a budget-related decision.

HPC Days 4-7

Should we push back on this topic, the idea to put the discussion on hold for about six months? There could be room to take positive action. A lengthy discussion occurred about this topic. The team agreed that we need to provide forecasters with objective guidance. The cost would be less according some people and the cost of the study was a concern by upper management. We need to evaluate all models. We should be working on verification, a robust verification is needed with an implementation. The team needs to provide a solution soon. Discussion occurred about verification and what is proper?

The team decided that feedback is needed from Greg Mandt about when should the team cease addressing certain issues.

The meeting adjourned at about 3:07 p.m. EST.

Action List

Complete 10-506 review and provide comments to NWS OS. Action for most of the team. Deadline is 2/22/05..

Re-read ISST founding documents. Action for the team. Deadline is 2/22/05.

Send e-mail to Bob Glahn and Dave Ruth about verification of the weather in NDFD. Action for Lee. Deadline is 2/22/05.

Get the ISST on the Corporate Board's S & T committee meeting. Action for Lee. Deadline 3/1/05. (The initial charter reads that the team reports to the them.)

Ask Greg Mandt to provide guidance to ISST about when team should cease addressing a topic. Action for Lee. 2/25/05.

Provide response to recent actions about HPC Day 4-7 evaluation. Action for team. Deadline 2/22/05.